

(b) to (d) Yes, Sir. The original contractor M/s. You One-Maharia (JV) had furnished forged Bank Guarantees. When detected, the contract was terminated and the balance work was awarded to M/s M.B. Patil Construction Company Ltd. through open bidding. However, the progress of this contractor also remained slow and, therefore, it has been proposed to delete the reach from Km. 9.4 to 19.00 leading to Hyderabad International Airport from the scope of this contractor and to get it executed through M/s. GMR Jadcherla Expressways Pvt. Ltd. who are the concessionaire for adjacent reach, of the project. The work is likely to be completed by September 2007.

Four/Six laning of NHs

†218. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the work of four/six laning of National Highways Nos. 19B-77, 19B-85, 28A, 30, 31, 57A, 77, 80 and 84 under NHDP phase-III has been approved;

(b) whether it is also a fact that no initial action has been taken so far on the ground level for the construction of around 890 Km. long stretch of above said sanctioned various highways;

(c) whether it is also a fact that a stretch of Motihari-Raxol section has been included in the National Highway No. 28A but it has not been approved from Piparkothi to Motihari despite passage of East-West corridor highway from Piparkothi point; and

(d) if so, the comprehensive details thereof and the type momentum Government propose to bring for the construction thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (d) the following 10 stretches totaling 890 km of National Highway in Bihar have been identified under NHDP Phase III:—

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Sl.No.	NH Section	NH No.	Length (KM)
1.	Purnea-Khagaria	31	135
2.	Khagaria-Bakhtiarpur	31	120
3.	Patna-Bakhtiarpur	30	53
4.	Patna-Hajipur-Muzaffarpur including Muzaffarpur bypass	19,77	60
5.	Muzaffarpur-Sonbarsa	77	89
6.	Motihari-Raxol	28A	67
7.	Forbesganj-Jogwani	57A	13
8.	Hajipur-Chapra Gopalganj	19,85	153
9.	Patna-Buxar	30, 84	130
10.	Mokama-Munger	80	70

Action is being taken for including these stretches, under Phase-III A of National Highway Development Project (NHDP), for early implementation.

Condition of NHs in the country

219. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the condition of National Highways in various parts of the country is in a bad shape causing a lot of inconvenience to the vehicular traffic;

(b) if so, the details thereof with special reference to Karnataka;

(c) what measures are proposed to be taken to repair and upgrade the roads; and

(d) the details thereof with the amount earmarked for the purpose and the time frame set for completion of the projects, with special reference to Karnataka?